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Applicant: Shih-Chieh Hung et al.

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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated November 23, 2001, be extended for one month to and including March 23, 2002.

Enclosed is a check for \$55 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing 12862-002001.

Respectfully submitted,

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